Building a Weather-Ready Nation

Facilities
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Facilities Portfolio Overview



Facilities Office Mission:

NWS' Facilities Office will provide world class facilities that support mission readiness and a Weather-Ready Nation (WRN)

Facilities Office responsibilities include:

Overarching Real Property Management

Acquiring Managing Disposing Planning for maintenance, upgrades, physical improvements

Safety, Health, Environmental, and Sustainability Facilities Portfolio Life-cycle Management Standardization of Facilities Project Management

- Facilities Portfolio Management Benefits:
 - Comprehensive Facilities life-cycle planning and management
 - Includes collocating where possible with research, academic and Emergency Management communities





Facilities Portfolio NWS NAPA Report



National Academy of Public Administration (NAPA) report dated May 2013 – Recommendation #13

- The Panel recommends that the NWS conduct an NWS-wide requirements analysis of its facilities.
- To implement this recommendation, the NWS should:
 - "Determine whether there are buildings that are not being utilized, not cost-effective given their current physical condition, not operationally-efficient given their location, or have colocation opportunities within a reasonable proximity"; and
 - "Examine the feasibility, on a case-by-case basis, of moving, co-locating, or closing the
 offices and transferring their functionality, recognizing that this may entail concurrent
 organizational change."
 - "The Panel finds that to reduce its physical footprint and exposure to growing building maintenance costs, the NWS could take advantage of opportunities to co-locate facilities with other NOAA line offices, other federal agencies, state or local emergency managers, water resource managers, or universities."





Facilities Portfolio Making Case for Collocation



When does NWS determine it is in the best interest of the Federal Government to relocate a facility and potentially collocate?

- <u>Business Case Analysis</u>: When the business case analysis shows a compelling argument that a 10 year life cycle cost analysis yields positive return on investment (ROI)
 - Cost to relocate often cannot be recovered in a 10 year commercial lease because tenant improvements to configure a space for NWS use are costly
 - Investment decision based on whether operationally viable, ROI and value of the collaborative relationship (Cost often outweighs the collaborative benefit)
 - Landlord issues compel NWS to seek alternative locations
- <u>Legislation</u>: Legislation often can emphasize collocation for collaboration as a preferred approach which can be leveraged during competitive lease acquisitions





Facilities Portfolio Upcoming Relocations



Upcoming Relocations and Collocation Opportunities

WFO	Anticipate Relocation Site	Expected Completion Date
WFO Phoenix	Relocation within the Salt River Project complex	2016
WFO Davenport	No collaboration opportunities identified, GSA initiated a commercial lease acquisition	2017
WFO Cleveland	Relocating to existing federal facility in downtown Cleveland	2017
WFO Sacramento	Collaboration among tenants (NWS, Bureau of Land Management, and State of California)	2018
WFO Taunton	NWS investigating collocation partners including NOAA, emergency management entities and universities.	2018
WFO Burlington	NWS to pursue lease acquisition	2018
WFO Albany	NWS and State University of New York, Albany (SUNY) desire continued collaborative relationship	TBD
WFO New Orleans	NWS researching collocation options	TBD





Facilities Portfolio



Providing World Class Facilities that Support a Weather Ready Nation

Compler

Key Milestones

- Initiated Facilities Life Cycle Planning and Management
- Initiated facility condition assessment (FCA) contract
- Continued to maintain facilities
- Awarded contract for Facilities Strategic Plan

Maintaining
Facilities &
Initiation of Lifecycle Planning
(FY14)

Key Milestones

- Comply with energy reporting framework
- Complete new lease acquisition plans
- Complete WFO Relocations & site specific master plans
- Refine Facilities business processes
- Complete FCAs (first 1/3)

Addressing
Requirements,
Collaboration
Opportunities, &
Building Portfolio
(FY15)

Life Cycle Framework and Processes Take Shape (FY17) Facilities
Support for
WRN
(FY 18-23+)

World Class

Execute against Facilities Strategic Plan (FY16)

Key Milestones

- Update Facilities Strategic
 Plan leveraging outcomes
 of Operations and
 Workforce Analysis
- Initiate NWS Facilities Strategic Plan implementation
- Establish continuing FCAs
- Establish national contract for preventative maintenance
- Complete initial FCAs (third 1/3)

Key Milestones

- Complete Facilities Strategic Plan
- Complete Bannister Relocation project
- Complete relocation of Cleveland and Phoenix WFOs
- Complete initial FCAs (second 1/3)

